

Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH NOVEMBER 2023

WHEREAS, The history of the American Indian in the state of Maryland is immense, from the mountains to the stunning shores of the Chesapeake Bay and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Many of our islands, towns, forests, trails, rivers, streams, and historical landmarks bear connections to our indigenous tribes, clans, bands, groups of Indians; and

WHEREAS, The humbled members of the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs join in celebration with the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives, in the ongoing commitment to edify the public with infallible facts and spirit of the American Indian People; and

WHEREAS, During the historical meeting between authorized tribal leaders of the state of Maryland and Governor Moore supporting initiatives to advance progress for generational achievements for tribal communities; and

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland celebrates the culture and diversity of all Indigenous peoples including members of Maryland State Recognized Tribes, Piscataway Conoy Tribe, Piscataway Indian Nation, and the Accohannock Tribe.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WES MOORE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim NOVEMBER 2023 as AMERICAN INDIAN HERTAGE MONTH in Maryland, and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.

Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,

this 1st

day of November

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Secretary of State